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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A  
(RULE 14a-101)**

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(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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**Voting items The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s): 1.**  
Election of Directors **Nominees** A Paul J. Dolan B Nancy Lopez Knight C Gary A. Oatey D Alex  
Shumate E Timothy P. Smucker **The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following**  
**proposal(s): 2** Ratification of appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's Independent  
Registered Public Accounting Firm for the 2010 fiscal year **3** Adoption of an amendment to the  
Company's Amended Articles of Incorporation to eliminate cumulative voting in director elections **4**  
Adoption of an amendment to the Company's Amended Articles of Incorporation to require majority  
voting in uncontested director elections (implementation of this Proposal 4 is conditioned upon approval  
of Proposal 3) 0000026802\_3 R2.09.03.17 **For Against Abstain** 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
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**Voting items Continued 5** Adoption of an amendment to the Company's Amended Regulations to allow the Board of Directors to amend the Amended Regulations to the extent permitted by law **NOTE:** Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof. **Non-Voting items** PLEASE X HERE ONLY IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE MEETING AND VOTE 0 THESE SHARES IN PERSON **Voting Instructions** 0000026802\_4 R2.09.03.17 THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR LANGUAGE PERTAINING TO BANKS AND BROKERS AS REQUIRED BY THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE **For Against Abstain** 0 0 0 **Signature 1** (Please sign on line) **Signature 2** (Joint Owners) **Date** (Please print date) Internal Use Only